Research works in the country by foreign companies

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Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that foreign multi-national companies are not paying any attention to research work in India;

(b) if not, the facts thereof;

(c) the amount invested by these companies during the year 2004-05 to 2006-07 in the field of medical research, year-wise; and

(d) the total cost of the medicines these companies sold in each year during the period mentioned above in India?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI B.K. HANDIQUE): (a) to (c) Department of Scientific and Industrial Research has informed that the following nine Multi-national companies whose laboratories are recognized by them have made the following investment in the field of medical research during 2004-05 to 2006-07:

(Amount in Rs. Lakhs)

Sl. No.	Firm	Year	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07
1.	Abbott India Ltd.	Dec-Nov.	156	208	NA
2.	Merck Ltd.	Jan-Dec	30	161	156
3	GSK Pharmaceutical Ltd. (Glaxo)	Jan-Dec	443	443	615
4.	Johnson & Johnson Ltd.	Jan-Dec	499 (2003)	NA	NA
5.	Pfizer Ltd.	Dec-Nov	2235	2380	NA
6.	Sandoz Pvt. Ltd.	Apr-March	8358	10777	10363
7.	Uni-Sankyo Ltd.	Apr-March	8	48	21
8.	Quintiles Research (India) Pvt. Ltd.	–	1235 Jan. 2004-Dec. 2004	3160 Jan. 2005-March, 2006	4569 Apr. 2006-March, 2007
9.	Reagent Drugs Ltd.	Apr-March	412	703	953

(d) The desired data pertaining to the total cost of the medicines sold by these companies in each year is not maintained by the Government.

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